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## TRADE WITH DENMARK

An Increase Reported by the  
Department of Agriculture.

Large Quantities of American Produce Imported as Well as Manufactured Articles—Butter and Bacon the Leading Commodities. A Great Demand Also for Flour.

A report from the section of foreign markets has been submitted to the Department of Agriculture which treats, among other things, of exports to Denmark, which have largely increased during the past few years. The interesting fact is shown that although Denmark is essentially an agricultural country, a large quantity of agricultural produce is annually imported from the United States which has been found to take the place, in their home consumption, of the articles which enter into their export trade. Butter and lard are the chief of these articles, and the thrifty Danes find it profitable to import from the United States the cheaper grades of these articles for their own use, and export to England their own produce, for which they have established such a favorable reputation.

Butter is the leading export in Denmark, and large quantities of the cheaper American grades are consumed by the Danes with seeming satisfaction. Bacon is not consumed in as large quantities, but what is used is nearly entirely the American product. The Danish bacon is especially prepared for the British market and commands a high price.

Other agricultural imports from the United States are beginning to take complete seriously with Danish products in wheat flour. During the fiscal year 1898 our shipments of this article to Denmark amounted to 4,915 barrels, or more than 20,000 barrels in excess of the largest shipments previously sent. Danish larders find that American flour is practically as good as the best Hungarian, and, as it is less expensive, they are beginning to very generally to substitute it for the latter. The millers of Denmark are also using American flour in large quantities, instead of Hungarian, to mix with their own product. Even this practice, however, does not enable the Danish mills to hold their own against the imports that are being made by American flour. The milling industry of the kingdom is apparently declining, and every indication points to a still further increase in the amount of flour imported from the United States.

"Maize, or Indian corn, has become the principal article of export from the United States to Denmark. The exports in 1896, although greater than any previously recorded, reached only 6,595,845 bushels. During the fiscal years 1897 and 1898 the shipments were exceptionally large, amounting to 18,109,791 bushels in the former year and to 16,574,943 bushels in the latter. This remarkable increase in the shipments is said to be due chiefly to a larger demand for maize as a feeding stuff for live stock and poultry.

"Similarly, greatly increased quantities of American oil cake are being exported to feed Danish cattle. In the fiscal year 1897 the exports of this product to Denmark were recorded at 55,958,539 pounds, exceeding all prior shipments, and yet these figures are small when compared with the returns for 1898, which place the quantity exported in that year as high as 155,127,018 pounds. The use of oil cake as a feed for live stock in Denmark is reported to be rapidly increasing.

"Recently considerable quantities of bran have also been shipped from the United States to Denmark, and it is probable that still larger consignments will be required in the future.

"By the importation of these cheap feeding stuffs from the United States Danish farmers are able to supply themselves at the least possible cost with the necessary raw materials from which to produce the high-grade products they send to Great Britain at such profitable prices. As the Danes are at present reclaiming for farming purposes a considerable portion of their waste lands, it is probable that the dairy and stock-growing industries of the kingdom will be materially extended, and with this development the market there for American feeding stuffs will undoubtedly be still further widened.

"From facts gathered at Copenhagen and during a subsequent visit to ports in Russia, Finland, and Sweden, it appears that the amount of American merchandise distributed through the Baltic region has increased very rapidly in the last few years. During the fiscal year 1898 our direct shipments to the three Scandinavian countries, namely, to Baltic Russia, including Finland, amounted in value to more than \$25,000,000. Although agricultural exports still form the larger part of this item and show material gains for the past decade, the principal increase has occurred in our shipments of manufactured wares, such as machinery, tools, utensils, etc. Ten years ago the annual value of the exports of manufactured articles from the United States to the Baltic countries did not exceed \$2,000,000, while it now amounts to at least \$10,000,000. Meanwhile the annual value of our agricultural exports to the same region has risen from less than \$10,000,000 to the beginning of the decade to about \$15,000,000 at its close. The rapid growth of the maize shipments to Denmark, already mentioned, has been the leading factor in this increase, but considerable gains have also occurred in the cases of other agricultural exports, some of the most important being wheat flour, oil cake, oleo-oil, pork, hams, and tallow.

"While the market for certain American agricultural products in the Baltic countries will doubtless be considerably extended, it is believed that the chief commercial opportunity in this region, as indicated by the present deficit of trade, will lie in the development of a wider demand for our manufactures. As a field for trade extension along this line the Baltic countries certainly present possibilities that are well worth the attention of American exporters."

## North Carolina Murder.

RALPHIGH, N. C., Dec. 27.—William Green, a local farmer in Jones county, was murdered, his head being cut off with a heavy iron belt. The body was carried half a mile into the woods and there thrown face downward into a deep hole at the foot of a tree which had blown down. Another tenant farmer named Watson is in jail, charged with the murder.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Admiral of the Navy and Mrs. Dewey will receive on New Year Day, between 12:30 and 2:30 o'clock, the officers of the Navy and Army and their other friends, at the home of Mrs. McLean, 1705 K Street.

Mrs. Dewey will receive on Mondays in January with her mother, Mrs. McLean, at the latter's residence, on K Street.

The Secretary of War and Mrs. Root gave a box party at the National last night to see Sir Henry Irving in "Robespierre." After the play the English star was entertained by the Secretary and Mrs. Root at an 11 o'clock supper at their residence, on Rhode Island Avenue. The guests, both at the theatre and supper, were: The Spanish Ambassador and the Duchess d'Arco, the Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay, the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Gage, Senator and Mrs. Lodge, General and Mrs. Miles, Paymaster General and Mrs. Bates, Commander and Mrs. Cowles, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne MacVeagh, General Corbin and Mr. Brann Stoker.

Mrs. Sartoris gave a dinner for young people last night, when the guests were Miss Edith Davidge, Miss Wallace, Miss Ethel Horstmann, Miss Bessie Ward, Miss Ffolke, Miss Sartoris, Miss Miriam Grant, of San Francisco, who is now on a visit to her grandmother, Mrs. U. S. Grant, Miss Corbin, Mr. Lovell, Mr. Humphreys Owen, and Mr. Robert Brannley, of the British Embassy; Mr. Hitt, Mr. Austin, Mr. Francis, Mr. Johnston, General Corbin, who was a guest later at the residence of the Secretary of War and Mrs. Root to meet Sir Henry Irving; Colonel Michler, and Captain Sartoris.

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay entertained a coterie of young beaux and belles at dinner last night, the majority of the guests leaving later to attend the Abert dance at Rauscher's.

Miss Frederika Leech entertained a number of the debutantes of this season and last at luncheon yesterday.

The ladies of the Cabinet who are now in Washington will receive this afternoon.

Owing to ill-health, Mrs. Long will have no formal receptions during the season.

The National Rifle Cadets will give their first military ball of the season at the National Rifle Armory, next Saturday evening.

Representative and Mrs. Henry R. Gibson are established for the winter at 201 East Capitol Street.

## THE CASE OF MR. QUAY.

The Former Senator Said to Have  
Failed in His Campaign.

Senator Quay left for his home in Beaver, Pa., last night to return the first of next week, without having accomplished anything toward securing favorable action on his application for admission to the Senate, and still facing the prospect that it will be denied if it is pressed. The opinion among Senators that it will not be pressed grows stronger as the futility of Mr. Quay's attempts to change the majority becomes more apparent.

While it has been generally understood that the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections would take up the Quay case for decision on Friday of next week, it is quite possible that action may be deferred, and perhaps indefinitely. Unless Mr. Quay is satisfied by that time that he can secure a majority of the Senate in favor of his admission, it is believed that he will not allow the case to come to a vote in committee, and so undergo the useless humiliation of a vote against him by the committee. Quay knows that the committee stands five to four against him, and that he will not be able to change any of the majority, made up of Senator Burrows and four Democratic members of the committee, and that all that he can secure from the committee is a minority report in his favor. Whatever he may have done since his return from Florida to obtain votes in the Senate seems to have been entirely ineffectual. If there has been a change in his case is weaker rather than stronger.

As the parliamentary manager of the Republican side said: "Quay came back to Washington too late. If he had come here before Congress met possibly he might have accomplished something, but the current was setting too strongly against him when he did return, and every day of delay hurt him."

The delay in action, with the thorough publicity given the case and the arguments before the Committee on Privileges and Elections, have brought about communications from Senators from the committee, and especially political advisers, which have been unfavorable to Mr. Quay. The Administration, by allowing it to become known that it preferred the calling of an extra session, and the election of a Senator, and by refusing to interfere in his behalf in the Senate, damaged his case with Administration Senators.

The Senatorial managers, by refusing to work for Quay, even when, in some cases, they professed their willingness to vote for him, if they had to answer to a rollcall, have hurt his prospects. All their acts, and especially their refusal to save his committee, place him in a position of weakness, and by refusing to interfere in his behalf in the Senate, damaged his case with Administration Senators.

## TRIED TO STEAL HER CHILD.

Mrs. Raynor Creates Excitement at  
Freeport, L. I.

FREEPORT, L. I., Dec. 27.—The attempt of a mother to gain possession of her own child caused an evening scene here last night. Mrs. Stella Raynor, the wife of Riley Raynor, was the chief actor, and she was accompanied by her brother, Duke Midhauser, former Justice F. J. Bedell, and Miss Jennie Housman.

The Raynors were married four years ago and the husband belongs to a prominent family of this town. Mrs. Raynor is an actress, of Brooklyn. For two years they lived happily and then separated. They had one child, which, after the separation, was taken to the home of Raynor's father, James C. Raynor.

Mrs. Raynor and her three friends drove up to the grandparent's home, and Mrs. Raynor entered the house. She found the child playing there, and with a cry of joy took it up in her arms and started for the front door. But Miss Fannie Raynor, a sister of Riley Raynor, caught sight of her, ran after her, and just as the door was reached seized the child. The two women screamed and struggled, and Miss Housman ran to the mother's aid.

The group pulled and struggled until the edge of the porch was reached, whereupon they all fell over it, and came down on the ground in a heap. No one was hurt, however.

By this time James C. Raynor was aroused, and came rushing out. Until now the men who had come with the child's mother had stood by as spectators, while the women struggled; but, according to Raynor's affidavit, he was attacked by both Midhauser and Bedell. He forced his way past them, however, and grasped the child.

Meanwhile the town was roused by the struggle and outside of the house, where the child was held, a large crowd had gathered. Several men interfered in the fight, and seeing that it was hopeless to struggle further, the mother and her friends fairly jumped into their carriage and drove away. Midhauser was arrested for assault, and a warrant is out for Bedell, who fled. It is not expected that any action will be taken against the mother or her woman friend.

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| Ladies' Shoes.  | Misses' Shoes.   | Boys' Shoes.  | Men's Shoes.  |
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| \$3 Ladies' Shoes for<br>Lace Walking<br>Shoes, made of<br>French vicil kid, full<br>calf lined, double<br>sole, military heels,<br>and kid tips. A<br>good \$3 shoe. Sale<br>Price.....  | \$2 Misses' Shoes for<br>Very fine Vicil Kid<br>Button and Lace<br>Shoes, patent leather<br>or kid tips, exceptionally<br>good quality and a<br>natty shoe. Sale price.....  | \$2 and \$2.50 Boys' Shoes for<br>Satin Calf Lace<br>Shoes, made with<br>double or single<br>soles, well made<br>and finished, sold for<br>\$2 and \$2.50. Sale<br>price..... | \$3.50 and \$4 Men's Shoes for<br>Fine French Box<br>and Patent Leather<br>Calf Shoes, with single<br>or double soles,<br>All are strictly<br>hand-sewed, and<br>ways sold for \$3.50<br>and \$4. Sale price.....                         |
| \$1.50 Ladies' Shoes for<br>A fine grade of<br>Ladies' Dongola,<br>Lace, and Button<br>Shoes, with patent<br>leather tips and<br>leather soles. Always<br>sold for \$1.50. Sale<br>Price.....                                     | \$1.25 and \$1 Misses' Shoes for<br>A good line of<br>Misses' Dongola Kid<br>Button and Lace<br>Shoes, made with<br>extension soles and<br>patent leather tips,<br>always sold for \$1.25<br>and \$1.50. Sale price..... | \$1.50 Boys' Shoes for<br>Natty Box Calf<br>Lace Shoes, guaranteed<br>all solid leather,<br>in new style<br>foot shapes, well<br>worth \$1.50. Sale<br>price.....             | \$2.50 and \$3 Men's Shoes for<br>Satin or Box Calf<br>Lace Shoes, single<br>or double soles,<br>with extra back<br>leather stays; every<br>pair guaranteed to be<br>solid leather. Always<br>sold for \$2.50<br>and \$3. Sale price..... |
| \$3.50 to \$5 Ladies' Boots for<br>A well lot of<br>French Vicil Kid,<br>Lace and Button<br>Shoes, with building<br>uppers, extra leather<br>and military heels<br>and extra stay<br>backs. Remarkable<br>values. Sale Price..... | \$1.75 and \$2 Misses' Shoes for<br>These shoes are<br>made of (White<br>Bread) box calf, in<br>button and lace,<br>double soles, extra<br>back leather stays,<br>always sold for \$1.75<br>and \$2. Sale price.....     | \$1.25 Little Boys' Shoes for<br>Sizes 2 to 13½,<br>made of satin calf,<br>lace shoes, double<br>soles and extra leather<br>stay backs.<br>\$1.25 kind. Sale<br>price.....    | Infants' Soft Sole Shoes<br>In a variety of colors. Always sold<br>for 25c and 35c. Sale price<br>12c.  |

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## A FRENCH OYSTER FAMINE.

United States Consul Tourgee's Inter-  
esting Report on the Subject.

An oyster famine is said to threaten France. United States Consul Albion W. Tourgee has sent the State Department the following communication from Bordeaux: "Oysters are a luxury in Europe. The natural beds have been exhausted, and the American beds are rapidly becoming, and artificial culture has long been depended upon for a supply of this luscious bivalve. The chief breeding ground in France is the Bassin d'Arcachon, a triangular tidal bay about nine miles on each side, entirely land-locked and opening out of the Bay of Biscay into the Department of Gironde by a narrow channel about three miles in length. The coast is sandy and deserted. A solid forest of maritime pines, hand planted during the present century, has checked the inland march of the sand dunes, and protects the basin from the southwest winds which blow fifty out of the fifty-two weeks of each year.

"The shallow bay is networked with navigable channels, between which at low tide, rise the half-day, half-night flats utilized for breeding the succulent mussel. During the low spring tides, the flats are covered with quantities of a cheap variety of ordinary roofing tile, which has been previously coated with a sort of coarse whitewash.

"The spawn brought in by high water catches on these tiles, and the lime of the whitewash helps the little mollusk to form its first shell. Toward winter, the tiles are taken up and carefully scraped. The oysters, as large now as one's thumb nail, are spread in flat covered trays, or baskets, of closely-woven oiled to protect them from the starfish, crabs, and other enemies, and moved nearer the salt marshes on the east side of the basin, to grow. When they have become a little accustomed to an independent existence, they are placed in trenches a little below water level, which are provided with sluice gates, by which they can be flooded at will.

"They are thus prevented from being chilled in winter or dried up in summer. They are easily protected from enemies, the gates being covered with wire netting of fine mesh; but the primary aim of the gates is to accustom them to being deprived of water—that is, to teach them to keep their valves tightly closed when out of it.

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## Failure of a Dry Goods Firm.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—The Siegel-Hillman  
Dry Goods Company filed a deed of trust  
for the benefit of creditors yesterday, and  
Thomas H. McKittick, of the Hargadine-  
McKittick Dry Goods Company, was  
placed in charge of the store and stock.

The liabilities are placed at about \$221,000  
and no statement of assets has been given  
up. Up to eighteen months ago the firm  
was known as Siegel, Hillman & Co., when  
it became a corporation. The firm came  
here from Chicago five or six years ago,  
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